

REMARKS

With the above amendments, claims 1 and 2 have been amended, and claims 1-24, 31-37, and 39 are pending and ready for further action on the merits. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Applicants respectfully submit that not all claim terms were adequately defined in claims 1 and 2. Accordingly, an amendment was made to these claims wherein R₁₈ and R₁₉ were properly defined to be an alkyl or aryl substituent. Support for the amendment can be found at page 7, lines 7-10 in the written description. Moreover, Applicants note that R₂₇ did not appear in any formula. Thus, claim 1 has also been amended to remove the reference to R₂₇. Applicants believe that all claim terms are now properly defined.

CONCLUSION

With the above amendments and remarks, Applicants believe that all claim terms are now properly defined. Thus, each of the claims remaining in the application is in condition for immediate allowance. Passage of the instant invention to allowance is earnestly solicited.

Applicants herein submit the fees required for filing a Request for Continued Examination and for a petition to withdraw an application from issue. Should any additional fees be deemed to be necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to

charge any fees required by this action or any future action to Deposit Account No. 50-3216.

Should the Examiner have any questions relating to the instant application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (336) 607-7486 to discuss any issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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